## 01-129 Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement

## and the Administration of Criminal Justice

The mission of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice (LCLE) is to improve the operations of the criminal justice and juvenile justice system and promote public safety by providing progressive leadership and coordination within the criminal justice community.

The goals of the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice are:

- 1. Ensure a continued focus on the improvement of the State's criminal justice system through the equitable administration of state and federal grant programs, high quality training and education, methodically sound policy relevant research, effective multi-agency programs and providing timely assistance to victims of crime.
- 2. Provide coordination and leadership for the criminal justice system through broad system wide programs which are based on participation by all aspects of the criminal justice community, and by maintaining a forum for the open discussion of criminal justice issues by all concerned.

The commission is comprised of 50 individuals whether directly employed by a criminal justice system agency, persons whose work requires contact with the system or who have demonstrated an abiding interest in criminal justice. Thirty-four members are sheriffs, district attorneys, or chiefs of police. The Office of Corrections Services, the Louisiana State Police, the Department of Justice, the LSU Law Center, the Louisiana Supreme Court, the Louisiana House of Representatives and Senate all have representatives on the commission. Reporting to the commission are seven boards representing various components of the criminal justice system (Drug Control and Violent Crime; Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE); Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (JJDP); Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST); Crime Victims Reparations (CVR); Crime Victim Assistance (CVA); and Violence Against Women (STOP). These boards recommend priorities, policy, regulations, and specific grant applications for commission approval and make awards to victims of crimes. Federal grant programs are provided through the U.S. Department of Justice; state grant programs are funded by dedicated or self-generated funds or state appropriations.

In addition to these boards, eight law enforcement regional planning councils also report to the commission. Membership of the boards and councils is representative of local criminal justice and governmental agencies. Louisiana has over 300 state and local agencies engaged in law enforcement and criminal justice activities. Because the LCLE is composed of criminal justice leaders representing all aspects of the justice system, it is often used as a coordinating body for efforts that involve multiple jurisdictions or different branches or levels of government.

LCLE provides a forum for all elements of the criminal justice system to come together in common cause and to develop multi-agency programs which serve the needs of a wide range of criminal justice organizations, support proven, critical, or innovative operational initiatives through the grant programs administered by the agency, promote the highest professional and ethical standards in law enforcement through high quality training programs, and to provide quality services to the criminal justice community and victims of crime within the framework of state and federal law and policy.

The LCLE has two programs: Federal Programs and State Programs.

## **BUDGET SUMMARY**

						RECOMMENDED
	ACTUAL	ACT 10	EXISTING	CONTINUATION	RECOMMENDED	OVER/(UNDER)
	1998-1999	1999- 2000	1999- 2000	2000 - 2001	2000 - 2001	EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$6,369,320	\$6,936,783	\$6,936,783	\$6,974,517	\$6,442,425	(\$494,358)
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	6,000	9,600	9,600	0	0	(9,600)
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	1,278,859	1,527,028	1,527,028	1,535,665	1,531,740	4,712
Statutory Dedications	1,268,741	1,386,573	1,386,573	1,391,766	1,385,050	(1,523)
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	17,752,057	25,473,046	25,473,046	25,757,017	25,714,608	241,562
TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING	\$26,674,977	\$35,333,030	\$35,333,030	\$35,658,965	\$35,073,823	(\$259,207)
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Federal Programs	\$18,424,434	\$26,250,766	\$26,250,766	\$26,474,132	\$26,446,728	\$195,962
State Programs	8,250,543	9,082,264	9,082,264	9,184,833	8,627,095	(455,169)
TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST	\$26,674,977	\$35,333,030	\$35,333,030	\$35,658,965	\$35,073,823	(\$259,207)
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	40	40	43	43	41	(2)
Unclassified	1	1	1	1	1	0
TOTAL	41	41	44	44	42	(2)

The Total Recommended amount includes \$8,479,735 of supplemental recommendations for the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement – State Program, and the Drug Resistance Education (DARE) Program. This represents full funding of the entire program with the exception of non-discretionary items. This item is contingent upon Revenue Sources in excess of the Official Revenue Estimating Conference Forecast subject to Legislative approval and recognition by the Revenue Estimating Conference.

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$4,654,639 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2000-2001 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt service payment for the state for Fiscal Year 2000-2001 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$ 18,175
State General Fund by:	
Federal Funds	72,701
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Total	\$ 90,876